

December Job Postings 2023-2024 Comparison



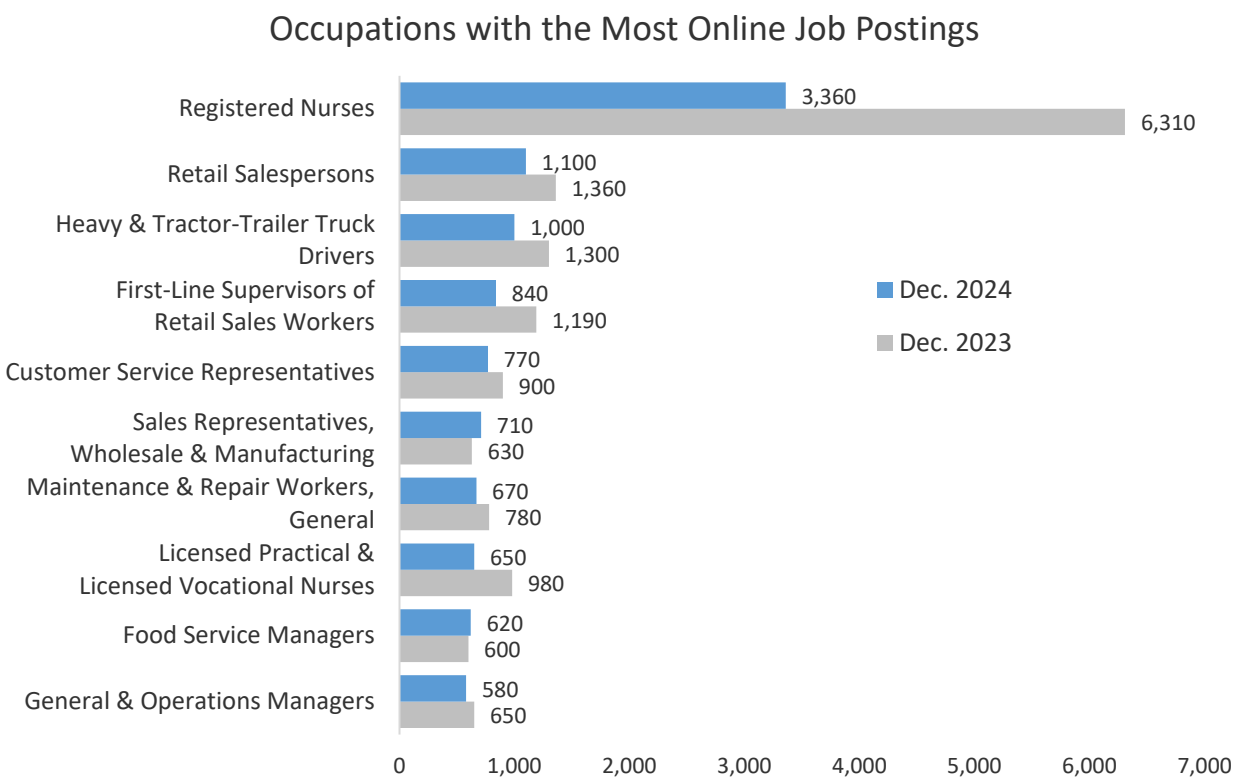
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Job postings decreased 15.8 percent from December 2023 to December 2024. In December 2024, there were 47,900 online job postings compared to 56,910 in December 2023. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 3.7 percent in Missouri in December 2024 was unchanged from last month (November 2024) and higher than last year's (December 2023) unemployment rate of 3.3 percent.

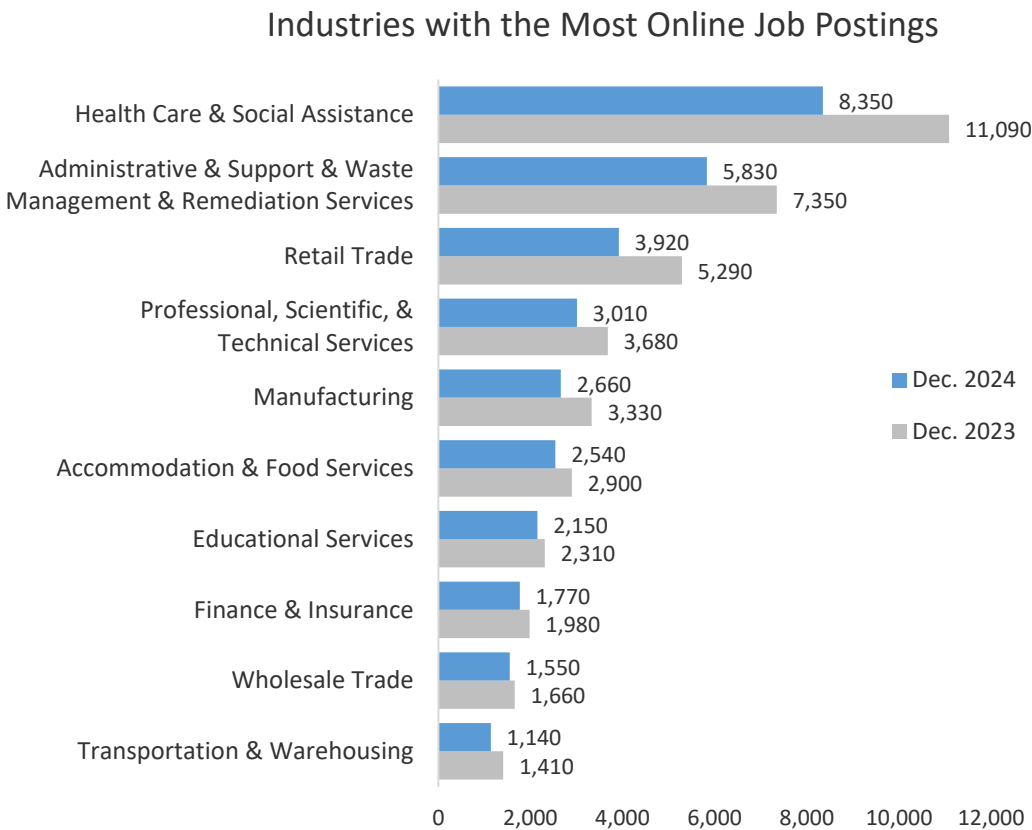
Top Occupations

The following chart shows the top 10 occupations with the most online job postings in December 2024 compared to the number of online job postings in December 2023. Online job postings for *Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing* had the largest increase (13%). *Registered Nurses*, while being the top occupation, had the largest decrease in online job postings (-47%). December 2023 showed a higher than usual amount of postings for Registered Nurses, accounting for some of the decrease.



Top Industries

The following chart shows the industries with the most online job postings in December 2024 compared to the online job postings in December 2023. All top industries showed a decrease in job postings compared to last year, with *Retail Trade* having the largest decrease (-26%).



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